**PART 2-Compare and Contrast Project**

Complete a project that compares and contrasts the countries of Russia and China using the books we read and the documentaries we watched. You may complete any type of project you would like. This is a project/essay/test grade and will be a large percentage of your Quarter 4 grade. Below are options for the projects you can choose from.

1. Write a “Compare and Contrast Essay” and post it on your blog
   1. ****5 paragraph essay
   2. 1 introduction paragraph, 3 body paragraphs, 1 conclusion paragraph.
   3. Each body paragraph should compare and contrast a different topic
      1. Body Paragraph 1 might compare/contrast the schools in the Soviet Union to the schools in China.
      2. Body Paragraph 2 might compare/contrast Ji-li’s home and Sasha’s home.
2. Poster Board Venn Diagram or Digital Venn Diagram
   1. Needs to be done on a poster board or on a digital document
   2. Complete sentences need to be used.
   3. You should compare and contrast a minimum of three different topics
   4. Write your topics in bold font and underline them
3. Concept Web
   1. You should choose 25 concepts total
   2. Each concept/term should be defined and include a small image
   3. An arrow should connect two terms together. Write one sentence or more to explain how these terms are connected
   4. Half of the terms should come from “Red Scarf Girl,” half the terms should come from “Breaking Stalin’s Nose”
   5. You should have a diverse web in which China terms are linked to Russian terms and Russian terms are linked with China terms.
   6. You may include terms that come from other books we read this year
4. A conversation between Ji-Li Jiang and Sasha Zaichik\*
   1. Pretend Ji-li Jiang and Sasha Zaichik bumped into each other on a street corner, or met up for coffee at a local café. What would they say to each other? Create a dialogue that might take place between the two.
   2. Use actual quotes from the books.
   3. Keep the characters comments and conversation realistic. (i.e. Ji-li would never say that she wished she could have punched Du-Hai. We know Ji-li is not an aggressive or violent person).
   4. Looking for a challenge? Parvana , Gopal, or both might swing by for a guest appearance.
   5. Dialogue should be focused around similar events they went through and events that are different.
5. A Newspaper
   1. Your newspaper should contain a minimum of four articles
   2. One article should serve as an introduction to the project, the books that we read, and the countries we are comparing.
   3. The other three articles should compare/contrast different topics that take place within the book.
   4. Add in pictures, propaganda, or advertisements that one might see in a newspaper. You can also add in a table of contents that has the headlines of other articles that will appear on the inside of the newspaper.
6. Have another idea? Send Mr. Burke an email!

**Due Date: To Be Determined…**

*Well, Mr. Burke…what am I supposed to be looking at when I compare and contrast these two books? Good question! Here are* ***some*** *ideas:*

* Ji-li Jiang vs. Sasha Zaichik
* The writing style of Ji-li Jiang vs. Eugene Yelchin
* Ji-li’s school vs. Sasha’s school
* Ji-li’s home vs. Sasha’s home
* Communism in China vs. Communism in “Russia”
* Chairman Mao Zedong vs. Joseph Stalin
* The physical geography of Russia vs. China

You may find many other ideas as well!